

NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD New Market Creek Site 930 North Morrison Drive, South Carolina

DHEC (the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control) is accepting public comments on a proposed Voluntary Cleanup Contract through October 22, 2013.

The Voluntary Cleanup Contract, 13-6223-NRP, will affect approximately 2.562 acres identified by Tax Map Serial Number 459-02-00-008, TMS 459-02-00-018, and TMS 459-02-00-022. CW Construction & Development, LLC ("CW) wants to buy the property from its current owners. This Voluntary Cleanup Contract will be between DHEC and CW.

The Property is located north of the Morrison Drive ramp of the Arthur Ravenel Bridge. New Market Creek flows through the northern portion of the Property with commercial development / vacant land beyond; a railroad is to the east; vacant land with commercial development is to the south and Morrison Drive is to the west. The property was used as a junk yard from 1963 until 1975. From 1970 until 2000, the Property was occupied at various times by Electric Supply Co., B&B Auto Wrecking, Bozzelli's Heating and Air, and the Longshoremen's Union Hall. Beginning in 2002 through 2010, the Property was used as a staging area for construction of the Arthur Ravenel Bridge. Since that time the Property has remained vacant.

CW will acquire the Property and intends to construct a \$32 million student housing facility consisting of 5-stories of multi-family above 1-story of parking/commercial space. Additional parking will be under the southerly adjacent Arthur Ravenel Bridge. If this Voluntary Cleanup Contract is implemented, DHEC will allow CW to acquire the property as a "Brownfields Site" because of the potential for environmental pollution. CW did not create the pollution, but will take steps to control it to keep the property safe for re-use.

DHEC will not hold CW responsible for the pre-existing pollution in exchange for doing work under the Voluntary Cleanup Contract. Under State law, CW will not be responsible if anyone is affected by the contamination. Entering into this contract does not reduce the responsibility of any former owners or operators of the site.

Under the proposed contract, CW will test soil and groundwater plus sediment and surface water from the Property. If significant contamination is found, CW will be required to take additional steps to protect human health and the environment.

DHEC uses Voluntary Cleanup Contracts to return Brownfield sites to productive reuse. The proposed contract is available at http://www.scdhec.gov/environment/lwm/publicnotice.htm. Printed copies may be obtained from the DHEC Freedom of Information Office at (803) 898-3882.

The public may provide written, email, or telephone comments on the proposed contract through October 22, 2013. Questions or comments may be directed to Jo Cherie Overcash, Project Manager, email OvercaJC@dhec.sc.gov, telephone (803) 898-0924, or Alex Fulmer, email FulmerWA@dhec.sc.gov or TOLL-FREE telephone (866) 576-3432. Written comments should be directed to either individual at SCDHEC, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.